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GRANTING INFRASTRUCTURE STATUS TO GAS PIPELINES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received representation for granting "Infrastructure status" to gas pipelines at par with Railways and roads; and

(b) If so, the reaction of the Union Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE: (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The Finance Bill, 2007 proposes to provide a ten year tax benefit to an undertaking carrying on the business of laying and operating a cross-country natural gas distribution network, including pipelines and storage facilities being an integral part of such network, subject to fulfillment of certain conditions.